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E.O. 10501.

Section 2. "No other designation shall be used to classify defense information, including military information, as requiring protection in the interests of national defense, except as expressly provided by statute."

"Section 12. No Statutory Requirements. Nothing in this order shall be construed to authorize the dissemination, handling, or transmission of classified information contrary to the provisions of any statute."

E.O. 10290 "NOW, THEREFORE, ... the regulations attached hereto... are hereby prescribed for application throughout the Executive Branch of the Government to the extent not inconsistent with law."

Part I.

- 1.a. The "minimum standards established by their regulations shall not supersede any higher standards established by appropriate authority."
- b. Nothing in these regulations shall be construed to replace, change or otherwise be applicable with respect to any material or information protected against disclosure by statute."
- c. Nothing in these regulations shall be construed to authorize the dissemination, release, handling or transmission of classified information contrary to the provisions of any law, Executive order, or Presidential directive which restricts this dissemination, release, handling, or transmission of such information."
- d. These regulations shall apply only to classified security information as defined in paragraph 4 of Part II hereof"...
2. "No other classification or classifications shall be used to designate classified security information."

Part II

- "4. Classified security information. The term "classified security information" as used herein means official information the safeguarding of which is necessary in the interest of national security, and which is classified for such purposes by appropriate classifying authority."

(Paragraph 10 states " unclassified information" is information not requiring "the procedural safeguards provided by these regulations and therefore not included in one of the aforementioned security classifications."

- "11. Cryptographic system. The term "cryptographic system" as used herein means any document, product, or method employed to change information from plain language form into coded form, or to change information from coded form into plain language form."